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Sample	2,344 Adults in the U.S.
Margin of Error	±2.3 points

14. Regarding vaccines for diseases like measles, mumps, and rubella, what should U.S. government policy be? Should it generally:

Encourage parents to vaccinate their children	70%
Discourage parents from vaccinating their children	4%
Not take a position either way	26%

15. In general, do you think government health agencies should make vaccines...

More available to people who want them	74%
Less available to people who want them	4%
Not change their availability either way	22%

16. Do you plan to get a 2025 flu shot (flu vaccine) this coming fall or winter?

Yes, I will get one	44%
Maybe, I'm still deciding	20%
No, I won't get one	36%

17. Whether or not you would get one yourself, in general, do you think COVID-19 vaccines should be...

Available to people who want them	77%
Available only on a limited basis, just to people who meet certain medical criteria	11%
Not available at all	12%

18. Who do you trust and not trust to give you accurate information about whether a vaccine would be safe for you and your family? (If you are not familiar with one of them, simply skip that item.)

	Trust	Don't trust
The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)	52%	48%
The Centers for Disease Control (CDC)	54%	46%
Medical and health professionals, generally	77%	23%
Your doctor	85%	15%

19. If it is available to you, do you plan to get a COVID-19 vaccine or booster shot in fall or winter 2025?

Yes, I will get one	31%
Maybe, I'm still deciding	21%
No, I won't get one	47%

20. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. is handling his job as Secretary of Health and Human Services?

Approve	45%
Disapprove	55%

21. From what you have heard or read, do you think Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.'s policies are making vaccines generally more available to people, less available, or not changed vaccine availability, or haven't you heard enough to say?

Vaccines more available	9%
Vaccines less available	39%
Not changed vaccine availability	19%
Haven't heard/not sure	33%

22. Do you think it is generally safe or unsafe to eat food and drinks that are considered ultra-processed - that is, which contain manufactured or artificial ingredients or preservatives - or does it depend on the product, or are you not sure?

Safe	8%
Unsafe	41%
Depends on product	37%
Not sure	14%

23. Regarding the COVID-19 vaccine, which statement describes you best?

I have gotten at least one shot of a COVID-19 vaccine	71%
I have not gotten any shots of a COVID-19 vaccine	29%

* Questions held for future release.

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14. U.S. Government Vaccine Policy

Regarding vaccines for diseases like measles, mumps, and rubella, what should U.S. government policy be? Should it generally:

		Gender		Age				Family Income		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	< $50K	$50-100K	> $100K
Encourage parents to vaccinate their children	70%	69%	72%	73%	64%	71%	75%	67%	72%	76%
Discourage parents from vaccinating their children	4%	5%	3%	4%	7%	3%	2%	4%	4%	4%
Not take a position either way	26%	26%	25%	23%	29%	26%	22%	28%	24%	20%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(1,140)	(1,204)	(491)	(592)	(765)	(497)	(949)	(647)	(534)

		Party ID			Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Encourage parents to vaccinate their children	70%	91%	68%	57%	70%	71%	69%	65%	80%
Discourage parents from vaccinating their children	4%	1%	4%	6%	4%	3%	5%	5%	2%
Not take a position either way	26%	8%	28%	37%	26%	26%	26%	30%	18%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(714)	(747)	(745)	(1,472)	(292)	(375)	(913)	(559)

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15. Vaccine Availability

In general, do you think government health agencies should make vaccines...

		Gender		Age				Family Income		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	< $50K	$50-100K	> $100K
More available to people who want them	74%	71%	77%	79%	68%	74%	74%	73%	74%	76%
Less available to people who want them	4%	5%	3%	4%	8%	2%	2%	4%	5%	2%
Not change their availability either way	22%	24%	20%	17%	24%	23%	24%	22%	21%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(1,140)	(1,204)	(491)	(592)	(765)	(497)	(949)	(647)	(534)

		Party ID			Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
More available to people who want them	74%	90%	74%	61%	73%	80%	74%	70%	78%
Less available to people who want them	4%	4%	4%	4%	3%	4%	6%	3%	3%
Not change their availability either way	22%	6%	22%	35%	24%	16%	20%	27%	19%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(714)	(747)	(745)	(1,472)	(292)	(375)	(913)	(559)

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16. Flu Shot

Do you plan to get a 2025 flu shot (flu vaccine) this coming fall or winter?

		Gender		Age				Family Income		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	< $50K	$50-100K	> $100K
Yes, I will get one	44%	42%	46%	38%	33%	45%	62%	41%	43%	53%
Maybe, I'm still deciding	20%	22%	17%	29%	26%	15%	11%	19%	20%	18%
No, I won't get one	36%	35%	37%	33%	41%	40%	27%	40%	37%	29%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(1,140)	(1,204)	(491)	(592)	(765)	(497)	(949)	(647)	(534)

		Party ID			Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes, I will get one	44%	61%	41%	34%	46%	38%	39%	40%	57%
Maybe, I'm still deciding	20%	21%	19%	18%	17%	24%	27%	17%	17%
No, I won't get one	36%	18%	40%	48%	37%	37%	34%	43%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(714)	(747)	(745)	(1,472)	(292)	(375)	(913)	(559)

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17. COVID Vaccine Availability
Whether or not you would get one yourself, in general, do you think COVID-19 vaccines should be...

		Gender		Age				Family Income		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	< $50K	$50-100K	> $100K
Available to people who want them	77%	77%	78%	75%	71%	79%	83%	77%	77%	80%
Available only on a limited basis, just to people who meet certain medical criteria	11%	12%	11%	16%	14%	8%	9%	10%	12%	13%
Not available at all	12%	11%	11%	9%	15%	13%	8%	13%	11%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(1,140)	(1,204)	(491)	(592)	(765)	(497)	(949)	(647)	(534)

		Party ID			Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Available to people who want them	77%	89%	79%	66%	76%	82%	75%	74%	80%
Available only on a limited basis, just to people who meet certain medical criteria	11%	8%	10%	16%	12%	7%	16%	11%	12%
Not available at all	12%	3%	11%	18%	12%	11%	9%	14%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(714)	(747)	(745)	(1,472)	(292)	(375)	(913)	(559)

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18A. Trust for Information on Vaccines — The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
Who do you trust and not trust to give you accurate information about whether a vaccine would be safe for you and your family? (If you are not familiar with one of them, simply skip that item.)

		Gender		Age				Family Income		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	< $50K	$50-100K	> $100K
Trust	52%	54%	50%	66%	50%	46%	48%	52%	49%	55%
Don't trust	48%	46%	50%	34%	50%	54%	52%	48%	51%	45%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,297)	(1,114)	(1,183)	(486)	(584)	(748)	(479)	(920)	(637)	(528)

		Party ID			Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Trust	52%	66%	46%	45%	49%	60%	60%	46%	52%
Don't trust	48%	34%	54%	55%	51%	40%	40%	54%	48%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,297)	(699)	(731)	(733)	(1,443)	(283)	(369)	(891)	(552)

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18B. Trust for Information on Vaccines — The Centers for Disease Control (CDC)
Who do you trust and not trust to give you accurate information about whether a vaccine would be safe for you and your family? (If you are not familiar with one of them, simply skip that item.)

		Gender		Age				Family Income		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	< $50K	$50-100K	> $100K
Trust	54%	54%	54%	63%	54%	49%	52%	55%	52%	55%
Don't trust	46%	46%	46%	37%	46%	51%	48%	45%	48%	45%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,308)	(1,120)	(1,188)	(487)	(584)	(753)	(484)	(930)	(636)	(531)

		Party ID			Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Trust	54%	72%	53%	38%	49%	64%	63%	46%	53%
Don't trust	46%	28%	47%	62%	51%	36%	37%	54%	47%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,308)	(706)	(736)	(735)	(1,450)	(286)	(370)	(895)	(555)

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18C. Trust for Information on Vaccines — Medical and health professionals, generally
Who do you trust and not trust to give you accurate information about whether a vaccine would be safe for you and your family? (If you are not familiar with one of them, simply skip that item.)

		Gender		Age				Family Income		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	< $50K	$50-100K	> $100K
Trust	77%	77%	77%	80%	75%	75%	80%	75%	76%	84%
Don't trust	23%	23%	23%	20%	25%	25%	20%	25%	24%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,312)	(1,125)	(1,187)	(485)	(583)	(757)	(486)	(929)	(639)	(531)

		Party ID			Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Trust	77%	93%	74%	67%	76%	81%	78%	71%	84%
Don't trust	23%	7%	26%	33%	24%	19%	22%	29%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,312)	(709)	(737)	(735)	(1,458)	(288)	(368)	(900)	(557)

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18D. Trust for Information on Vaccines — Your doctor

Who do you trust and not trust to give you accurate information about whether a vaccine would be safe for you and your family? (If you are not familiar with one of them, simply skip that item.)

		Gender		Age				Family Income		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	< $50K	$50-100K	> $100K
Trust	85%	86%	85%	84%	81%	87%	89%	84%	84%	91%
Don't trust	15%	14%	15%	16%	19%	13%	11%	16%	16%	9%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,312)	(1,127)	(1,184)	(483)	(584)	(755)	(490)	(933)	(634)	(531)

		Party ID			Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Trust	85%	95%	83%	81%	85%	88%	84%	82%	90%
Don't trust	15%	5%	17%	19%	15%	12%	16%	18%	10%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,312)	(704)	(737)	(736)	(1,456)	(286)	(370)	(898)	(557)

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19. Plan to Get COVID Vaccine in Fall or Winter

If it is available to you, do you plan to get a COVID-19 vaccine or booster shot in fall or winter 2025?

		Gender		Age				Family Income		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	< $50K	$50-100K	> $100K
Yes, I will get one	31%	31%	32%	25%	27%	32%	43%	29%	31%	38%
Maybe, I'm still deciding	21%	21%	21%	33%	23%	17%	15%	19%	23%	21%
No, I won't get one	47%	47%	47%	42%	50%	51%	42%	52%	46%	41%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(1,140)	(1,204)	(491)	(592)	(765)	(497)	(949)	(647)	(534)

		Party ID			Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Yes, I will get one	31%	53%	31%	14%	31%	34%	30%	23%	44%
Maybe, I'm still deciding	21%	27%	21%	15%	18%	28%	29%	18%	17%
No, I won't get one	47%	19%	48%	70%	51%	38%	41%	59%	39%
Totals	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(714)	(747)	(745)	(1,472)	(292)	(375)	(913)	(559)

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20. RFK Jr. HHS Job Approval

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. is handling his job as Secretary of Health and Human Services?

		Gender		Age				Family Income		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	< $50K	$50-100K	> $100K
Approve	45%	48%	43%	42%	46%	47%	45%	44%	45%	46%
Disapprove	55%	52%	57%	58%	54%	53%	55%	56%	55%	54%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(1,140)	(1,204)	(491)	(592)	(765)	(497)	(949)	(647)	(534)

		Party ID			Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Approve	45%	16%	39%	80%	51%	27%	43%	56%	42%
Disapprove	55%	84%	61%	20%	49%	73%	57%	44%	58%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(714)	(747)	(745)	(1,472)	(292)	(375)	(913)	(559)

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21. RFK Jr. Vaccine Policies

From what you have heard or read, do you think Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.'s policies are making vaccines generally more available to people, less available, or not changed vaccine availability, or haven't you heard enough to say?

		Gender		Age				Family Income		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	< $50K	$50-100K	> $100K
Vaccines more available	9%	10%	8%	12%	11%	7%	5%	10%	9%	8%
Vaccines less available	39%	40%	38%	35%	35%	39%	50%	31%	45%	48%
Not changed vaccine availability	19%	20%	18%	17%	19%	19%	20%	18%	18%	21%
Haven't heard/not sure	33%	30%	36%	36%	35%	35%	25%	41%	28%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(1,140)	(1,204)	(491)	(592)	(765)	(497)	(949)	(647)	(534)

		Party ID			Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Vaccines more available	9%	8%	7%	11%	7%	13%	11%	7%	7%
Vaccines less available	39%	63%	43%	18%	39%	40%	38%	31%	54%
Not changed vaccine availability	19%	8%	19%	31%	23%	13%	11%	26%	18%
Haven't heard/not sure	33%	21%	31%	40%	30%	34%	40%	36%	21%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(714)	(747)	(745)	(1,472)	(292)	(375)	(913)	(559)

22. Ultra-Processed Food Safety

Do you think it is generally safe or unsafe to eat food and drinks that are considered ultra-processed - that is, which contain manufactured or artificial ingredients or preservatives - or does it depend on the product, or are you not sure?

		Gender		Age				Family Income		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	< $50K	$50-100K	> $100K
Safe	8%	10%	5%	12%	10%	6%	3%	7%	9%	10%
Unsafe	41%	38%	44%	34%	41%	44%	43%	38%	43%	45%
Depends on product	37%	38%	37%	41%	33%	35%	42%	37%	35%	37%
Not sure	14%	14%	14%	13%	16%	15%	12%	18%	13%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(1,140)	(1,204)	(491)	(592)	(765)	(497)	(949)	(647)	(534)

		Party ID			Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
Safe	8%	11%	6%	7%	8%	8%	8%	6%	10%
Unsafe	41%	33%	43%	48%	42%	38%	36%	42%	41%
Depends on product	37%	41%	39%	33%	38%	32%	38%	36%	43%
Not sure	14%	14%	12%	12%	12%	22%	18%	15%	6%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(714)	(747)	(745)	(1,472)	(292)	(375)	(913)	(559)

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23. COVID Vaccine Status
Regarding the COVID-19 vaccine, which statement describes you best?

		Gender		Age				Family Income		
	Total	Male	Female	Under 30	30-44	45-64	65+	< $50K	$50-100K	> $100K
I have gotten at least one shot of a COVID-19 vaccine	71%	71%	70%	61%	67%	73%	82%	65%	71%	83%
I have not gotten any shots of a COVID-19 vaccine	29%	29%	30%	39%	33%	27%	18%	35%	29%	17%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(1,140)	(1,204)	(491)	(592)	(765)	(497)	(949)	(647)	(534)

		Party ID			Race			White by Education	
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	White	Black	Hispanic	No Degree	4yr Degree+
I have gotten at least one shot of a COVID-19 vaccine	71%	89%	69%	57%	71%	75%	66%	63%	84%
I have not gotten any shots of a COVID-19 vaccine	29%	11%	31%	43%	29%	25%	34%	37%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Weighted N	(2,344)	(714)	(747)	(745)	(1,472)	(292)	(375)	(913)	(559)

HOW THE POLL WAS CONDUCTED AND THE MARGIN OF ERROR CALCULATED

The CBS News/YouGov survey of 2,344 adults in the U.S. was conducted between August 29 – September 2, 2025.

This sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, and education based on the U.S. Census American Community Survey, and the U.S. Census Current Population Survey, and 2024 Presidential vote. Respondents were selected to be representative of adults nationwide. The weights range from 0.1 to 6.5, with a mean of 1 and a standard deviation of 0.6.

The *margin of error* (a 95% confidence interval) for a sample percentage p based upon the entire sample is approximately $\pm$2.3 points. It is calculated using the formula

$$\hat{p} \pm 100 \times \sqrt{\frac{1 + \mathrm{CV}^2}{n}}$$

where CV is the coefficient of variation of the sample weights and n is the sample size used to compute the proportion. This is a measure of sampling error (the average of all estimates obtained using the same sample selection and weighting procedures repeatedly). The sample estimate should differ from its expected value by less than margin of error in 95 percent of all samples. It does not reflect non-sampling errors, including potential selection bias in panel participation or in response to a particular survey.